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PETITION FOR FOUR MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME TO SUBMIT APPEAL BRIEF

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Sir:

The Applicants submit this Petition for a Four Month Extension of Time to extend the period for filing the attached Appeal Brief.

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The Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on 15 August 2006.

After the Applicants submitted the Notice of Appeal, the Patent Office returned an Acknowledgement Postcard bearing an "OIPE" stamp dated 18 August 2006. In accordance with 37 CFR Section 1.192(a) and MPEP Section 1206, an Appeal Brief must be submitted within two months from the date of the Patent Office receipt of the Notice of Appeal, or 18 October 2006. This Petition for Four Month Extension of Time, which is now submitted with the Applicants' Appeal Brief, will extend the period for filing the Appeal Brief until 20 February 2007, since 18 February falls on a Sunday, and the Patent Office is closed on 19 February to celebrate a federal holiday.

The Applicants therefore respectfully submit that their Appeal Brief, together with the attached Petition, is now being filed on 20 February 2007, within the permitted time limits as prescribed by the Rules of the Patent Office.

The Applicants have also submitted a Credit Card Charge Authorization to pay for the Petition fee at the small entity rate of \$795.00.

Respectfully submitted,

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